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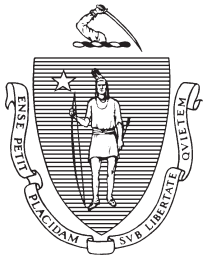
# COURSE SCHEDULE

July 2008

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE SERVICES • STOW, MASSACHUSETTS







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Dear Fire Service Colleague:

The mission of your Massachusetts Firefighting Academy (MFA) is, in part, to "provide...comprehensive fire and emergency services training, education and certification..." We accomplish this through a cadre of over 300 dedicated instructors supported by 13 full time staff. This catalog contains information on the training and certification opportunities available to you for the fall of 2008.

Traditionally our training programs have been conducted both at our Stow campus and at sites across the Commonwealth. This semester you will notice a significantly larger number of programs are being offered at off campus sites as we begin the expansion of our Stow facility. This expansion, expected to be completed in 2010, will provide the MFA with additional state of the art classrooms and presentation space along with an expanded fire station and equipment storage area.

For Fiscal Year 2008, we will be modifying the way in which we schedule our programs using a more regional approach. Although we have not finalized all the details, departments are encouraged to submit training requests for next year to our scheduler, Mary Shutts at 978-567-3205 or via email at [mary.shutts@state.ma.us](mailto:mary.shutts@state.ma.us). These requests will be evaluated and programs assigned in late spring.

The academy will transact a municipal hire contract with a community that desires to purchase additional training courses on specific subjects for delivery to the members of the sponsoring department.

During a municipal hire program, the academy provides instructors, audio-visual software and handout materials. The sponsoring department provides student selection/registration, a classroom, training areas and audio-visual hardware. Class size is limited by the academy to provide the proper instructor to student ratio. Further information on contracting a municipal hire program is available by contacting Kathleen D'Amelio at 978-567-3226 or [Kathleen.D'Amelio@state.ma.us](mailto:Kathleen.D'Amelio@state.ma.us) for a quote.

As a final note, I would encourage you to visit our website at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) on a regular basis for information on our courses and exams as well as other services available through the Department of Fire Services. For last minute program information including course vacancies and unique training opportunities, join our training listserv by emailing [join\\_dfs\\_training@listserv.state.ma.us](mailto:join_dfs_training@listserv.state.ma.us).

Very truly yours,

Edmund M. Walker, Director  
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy

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# Introduction

**T**he Massachusetts Firefighting Academy presents the Fall 2008 Course Schedule and certification information. The format provides a course description and all the pertinent information needed to register for courses throughout the Commonwealth.

Pre-registration is required due to limitations of either the facility itself, or the materials being presented. If it is necessary to change or cancel a program, our contact information will be needed.

Application procedures vary with each program which is listed along with their course or program descriptions. Applicants should read these requirements carefully and follow the procedures listed.

The Department of Fire Services' Massachusetts Firefighting Academy student application forms are available at the Department of Fire Services' Massachusetts Firefighting Academy (DFS/MFA), local municipal fire departments, or they may be downloaded from the Department of Fire Services' Massachusetts Firefighting Academy website at: <http://www.mass.gov/dfs>.

For your convenience, you may also use the on-line registration form

posted on our website at: <http://www.mass.gov/dfs> with an up-to-date list of program offerings. (Note: Please be sure to add our email address [Mfa.Registration@state.ma.us](mailto:Mfa.Registration@state.ma.us) to your address book so it is recognized email and is not considered spam or junk email).

Please note that all applications must be received two weeks prior to the start of the course by fax 978-567-3229, mail or via on-line registration at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs). For further information please call 978-567-3200.

Completed applications must be sent to:

Registrar  
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy  
P.O. Box 1025, State Road  
Stow, MA  
01775-1025

OR

Fax 978-567-3229

For up-to-date additional information on courses please call: 978-567-3200

OR

Severe Weather Cancellation Line:  
978-567-3248 ♦

## Massachusetts Firefighting Academy No Show Policy

Due to the high incidence of "no shows" at Academy courses, it has become necessary to institute a policy that identifies students who fail to notify the MFA if they are unable to attend a course. This also results in courses being conducted with fewer students in attendance than is practical.

1. Each student that signs up for a course at the MFA is required to notify the Academy if for any reason they are not able to attend. We realize that at times there are circumstances that are beyond your control, however, we request that you make every effort to advise us.
2. If it is necessary to cancel, please call 978-567-3200 at any time and leave a message stating your name as well as the course name and location.
3. Failure to notify the Academy of your inability to attend a course will result in your name being placed on the "no show" list. If a student accumulates two "no shows", the result will be that when he/she signs up to attend a program, their name will be flagged and they will be at risk of being bumped from the course if it fills up.
4. Students on the "no show" list that continue to fail to notify the Academy that they are canceling will be subjected to further restrictions.
5. Once your name is on the "no show" list, it will remain in effect for one year and a letter will be sent to your chief of department advising of your status.

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# Firefighting Skills Training Programs

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## AERIAL LADDERS

This program will provide students with the introductory working knowledge necessary to become a competent aerial apparatus operator. Day one of the course is a classroom exposure to concepts and theories of aerial operations, and day two of the program utilizes both Massachusetts Firefighting Academy and local department aerial apparatus in practical hands-on application of classroom lessons. Classroom topics include safe driving, types of apparatus, positioning, stabilization and tactics. NOTE: This course alone will not produce expert aerial apparatus operators, and does not address specific manufacturers' models of apparatus and operating procedures for them. Students must apply the basic learning from this course with continued hands-on practical applications to apparatus in their departments to build and maintain proficiency in aerial apparatus operations. Host departments may be required to provide aerial apparatus in combination with academy vehicles for deliveries of this program. Additionally, the host department will be required to produce a current aerial ladder inspection and testing report, in accordance with NFPA standards, for each aerial apparatus to be used in the course.

**Prerequisite:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** None



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### Course Number: 200-019-101 Session A

Date/Time:  
Oct. 4 & 5, 2008  
0900-1600

Location:  
Shirley Fire Dept.  
8 Leominster Road  
Shirley, MA

### Course Number: 200-019-101 Session B

Date/Time:  
Nov. 22 & 23, 2008  
0900-1600

Location:  
Tyngsboro Fire Dept.  
10 Kendall Road  
Tyngsboro, MA

## BASIC FIRE ATTACK - MOBILE TRAINING UNIT

The Mobile Training Unit is a transportable live fire training prop that can be delivered to fire departments within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for live fire training purposes. The Mobile Training Unit (MTU) uses propane gas as fuel instead of ordinary class "A" combustibles. The MTU contains seven individual removable props that can be set up individually or simultaneously. Training will consist of one 7-hour day beginning at 0800 and ending at 1600. The program will follow NFPA 1403 guidelines including a 30-minute student orientation at the beginning. Each class will be limited to 18 students and will be conducted by Massachusetts Firefighting Academy burn qualified instructors. This program is intended for entry-level firefighters and may be used as a prerequisite for attending the more advanced Structural Firefighting Practices class. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks before the start of class.

**Prerequisites:** None.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A, B, D & E.

**Class Hours:** 7

**OEMS Credits:** 7

### Course Number: 200-169-297 Session B

Date/Time:  
Sept. 21, 2008  
0800-1600

Location:  
Georgetown Fire Dept.  
47 Central Street  
Georgetown, MA

### Course Number: 200-169-297 Session C

Date/Time:  
Sept. 27, 2008  
0800-1600

Location:  
Heath Elementary School  
18 Jacobs Road  
Heath, MA

### Course Number: 200-169-297 Session A

Date/Time:  
Nov. 15, 2008  
0800-1600

Location:  
Sturbridge Fire Dept.  
346 Main Street  
Sturbridge, MA



## **EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATOR - ADVANCED**

The objective of this program is to introduce the student to current motor vehicle laws, common driver mistakes and methods to prevent accidents with regards to emergency vehicle operation. This two-day program contains a one-day competency course that the student must take. This program is not driver instruction but was designed by VFIS to challenge the student's competency in the operation of emergency motor vehicles. It is recommended that the student already have some emergency vehicle driving experience before taking this program.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:**

Complete the DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-129 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 13 & 14, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Seekonk Fire Dept.  
500 Taunton Avenue  
Seekonk, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-129 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 27 & 28, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Erving Fire Dept.  
18 Moore Street  
Erving, MA

## **FIREFIGHTER SURVIVAL SKILLS: SAVING OURSELVES**

This program is designed to provide the firefighter with skills to effectively self-rescue during adverse emergency conditions that may occur on the fireground. Areas covered include emergency use of SCBA, self-control and discipline in a maze environment, exiting a building using a charged hose line, and proper methods for declaring a Mayday if necessary. It also teaches the firefighter how to escape a hostile environment by breaching a wall, escaping out a window head first onto a ladder, and escaping out a window or opening using a personal rescue rope. This is an advanced program and is therefore recommended that the firefighter have previous training in SCBA. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks prior to the start of course.

**Prerequisites:** None.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-616 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 15 & 16, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
North Adams Fire Dept.  
40 American Legion Drive  
North Adams, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-616 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 19 & 21, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Methuen Fire Dept.  
24 Lowell Street  
Methuen, MA

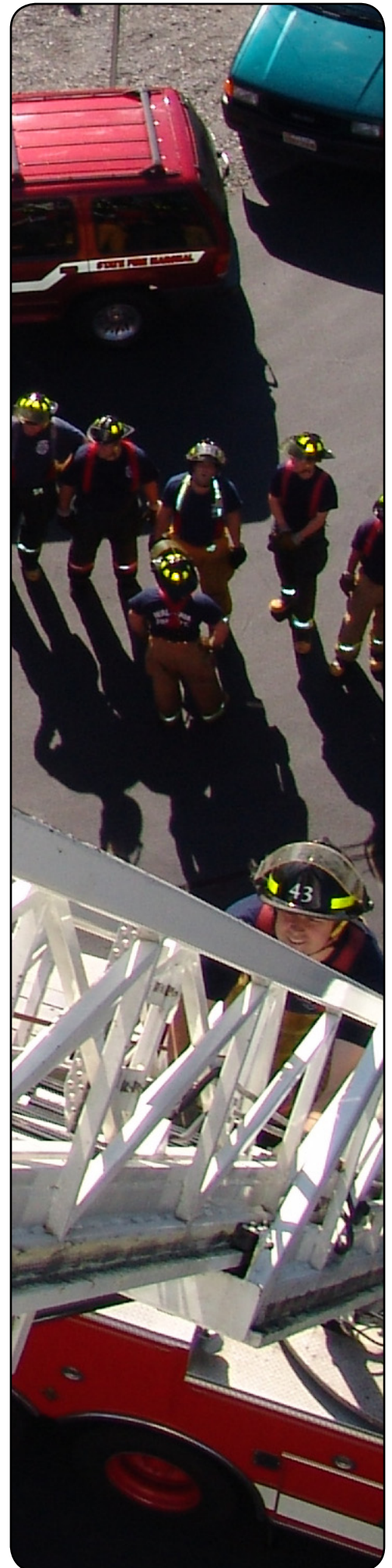


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## FLASHOVER RECOGNITION

This one-day program utilizes both classroom theory and a training prop designed by Swede Survival Systems. Classroom discussion is devoted to flashover recognition and fire behavior. The practical portion uses the specially designed flashover simulator. Evolutions are conducted in a controlled environment that simulates pre-flashover conditions. Due to safety concerns, student enrollment in this program is limited to 24. This is an advanced program, and it is recommended that students have live fire training prior to attending this program. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A, B, D & E.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credits:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-291 Session E**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 13, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Winchendon Fire Dept.  
405 Central Street  
Winchendon, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-291 Session F**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 1, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Kingston Fire Dept.  
105 Pembroke Street  
Kingston, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-291 Session D**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 5, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Berkley Fire Dept.  
5 North Main Street  
Berkley, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-291 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 8, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
North Andover Fire Dept.  
124 Main Street  
North Andover, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-291 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 18, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Sterling Fire Dept.  
5 Main Street  
Sterling, MA

## LARGE DIAMETER HOSE

This course contains a variety of scenarios to be used in teaching proper use of large diameter hoses. The evolutions are only suggestions and the instructor may vary them based upon the needs of the class or sponsoring department. This course will provide the student with an understanding of the hydraulic characteristics of water and actual practical experiences using a large diameter hose and its accessories.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:**  
Complete the DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** None

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-112 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 18 & 19, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Sturbridge Fire Dept.  
346 Main Street  
Sturbridge, MA

## PROTECTIVE BREATHING SEARCH & RESCUE (4500)

This two-day program addresses all aspects of protective breathing, including the necessity for protective breathing apparatus, general safety precautions, various types of units, basic maintenance, donning and packing procedures, as well as aspects of search and rescue procedures.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:**  
Complete the DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-117 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 19, 2008/1600-2300  
Sept. 20, 2008/0900-1600

**Location:**  
Williamstown Fire Dept.  
34 Water Street  
Williamstown, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-117 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 8 & 9, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Sandisfield Fire Dept.  
Station 2, Route 57  
Sandisfield, MA



## PUMPS AND HYDRAULICS

This program is designed to introduce firefighting personnel to the operating principles of fire department pumps. In both classroom sessions and practical evolutions, students will become familiar with the operation of booster and Class "A" pumps of single and multiple stage designs, including all operational controls and information systems. Practical sessions will be conducted utilizing state-of-the-art apparatus.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:**

Complete the DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** None

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-102 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 6 & 7, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Avon Fire Dept.  
150 Main Street  
Avon, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-102 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 13 & 14, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Westport Fire Dept.  
911 Main Road  
Westport, MA

## RAPID INTERVENTION

This two-day program is designed to assist the firefighter in understanding and implementing rapid intervention. It covers such topics as the theory of Rapid Intervention Crews and practical applications aimed at removing a firefighter from a hostile environment. It covers such techniques as large area search, SCBA harness conversion and change out, one and two person drags, firefighter removal up or down a staircase, and firefighter removal out a window utilizing various body ramps and ladder rescues. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks prior to the course.

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-102 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 20 & 21, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Hopedale Fire Dept.  
40 Dutcher Street  
Hopedale, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-102 Session D**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 27 & 28, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Warwick Fire Dept.  
1 Hastings Pond Road  
Warwick, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-102 Session E**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 4 & 5, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Chester Fire Dept.  
300 Route 20, Main Station  
Chester, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-102 Session F**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 1 & 2, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Northbridge Fire Dept.  
193 Main Street  
Whitinsville, MA

**Prerequisites:** None.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-256 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 1 & 2, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Great Barrington Fire Dept.  
20 Castle Street  
Great Barrington, MA

## RURAL WATER SUPPLY

This two-day course presents operational and logistical procedures for developing tanker shuttle operations. Skills in tanker shuttle operations will be developed including fill operations, off loading, and traffic control.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** None

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-115 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 25 & 26, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Lee Fire Dept.  
187 Main Street  
Lee, MA



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## SMALL AIRCRAFT HAZARDS – PROCEDURES

This course provides the student with the fundamental knowledge to handle aircraft emergencies. The student will be exposed to the principles of fighting aircraft fires, identification of aircraft and safety considerations when dealing with aircraft emergencies.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credits:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-124 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 25, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Chatham Municipal Airport  
240 George Ryder Road  
Chatham, MA

## VEHICLE EXTRICATION

This multimedia program is a programmed lesson plan with interaction between the students and the instructor(s) teaching the course. The program will also be updated to keep abreast of new techniques, hazards, and other relative information as it is available.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-122 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 29 & 30, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Charlemont Fire Dept.  
170 Factory Road  
Charlemont, MA

## STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTING PRACTICES

This course is designed to provide firefighters with hands-on practice in basic live firefighting skills. Utilizing a specially built live fire training structure, the firefighter will perform both direct and indirect methods of attack. Nozzle theory will be discussed and demonstrated and the student will be introduced to methods of hose handling as well. Fireground safety procedures are detailed and followed throughout the session. Students are required to bring a full set of NFPA Standard compliant protective clothing to the session.

**Prerequisites:** All students who attend this program must have previously completed minimum training as required by the *Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's Live Burn Policy*. Verification of such training must be furnished by one of the following:

- Completion certificate from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's Firefighter I Training Program.
- Completion certificate from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's Recruit Firefighter Program.
- Firefighter I Certification

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A, B, D & E.

This is a priority selection course: Applicants who have completed the MFA's Firefighter I Training Program will receive priority. All applicants will be responded to in writing.

**Class Hours:** 7

**OEMS Credits:** 7

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-290 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 20, 2008  
0800-1600

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-290 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 4, 2008  
0800-1600

**Location:**  
Springfield Training Academy  
100 Grochmal Ave  
Springfield, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-290 Session D**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 27, 2008  
0800-1600

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-290 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 22, 2008  
0800-1600

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA



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## VEHICLE EXTRICATION – NEW TECHNOLOGIES

The goal of this 6-hour program is to familiarize the firefighter with new vehicle construction, occupant protection systems, including supplemental restraint systems. The effect of these new systems on vehicle extrication and fire suppression will be discussed.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credits:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-127 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 18, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Blackstone Public Library  
86 Main Street  
Blackstone, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-019-127 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 15, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Shirley Fire Dept.  
8 Leominster Road  
Shirley, MA

## Fire Officer Programs

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**Assistant Coordinator, Jim Klich 978-567-3257**

### FIRE OFFICER I - BLENDED E-LEARNING

Fire Officer I training is an important stepping stone to your future as a fire officer in our state. This program is equivalent to the traditional classroom program with 50% less time and travel investment. You will take 50% of your class from home using highly interactive CD-based training and a minimum of a dial-up Internet connection. After taking this part of the class on-line, the skills and activities such as group discussion and tactics will be provided in a traditional class environment. The instructor will monitor progress at all times and students will be able to share efforts and projects with fellow students by e-mail. Students will also participate in 30 hours of traditional class where they can share experience and knowledge with others. This initiative will suit the needs of many new fire officers in the state. The class will be given the same credit as the traditional one but will involve less time away from work and home. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks prior to the class.

**Prerequisites:** None.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 60 (Combination of on-site classroom & internet class from home)

**OEMS Credits:** 28

**Course Number:**  
**200-025-321 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 12, 19, 26 & Oct. 3 & 10, 2008  
0845-1530

**Location:**  
Norwell Fire Dept.  
300 Washington Street  
Norwell, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-021-321 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2008  
0845-1530

**Location:**  
Rehoboth Fire Dept.  
334 Anawan Street  
Rehoboth, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-025-321 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Jan. 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2009  
Feb. 7, 2009  
0845-1530

**Location:**  
Westminster Fire Department  
7 South Street  
Westminster, MA



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## **FIRE OFFICER II – BLENDED E-LEARNING**

This course of instruction will take the company officer to the next level of leadership. This program is equivalent to the traditional classroom program with 50% less time and travel investment. Students will take 50% of the class from home using highly interactive CD-based training and a minimum of a dial-up Internet connection. After taking this part of the class on-line, the skills and activities such as group discussion and tactics will be provided in a traditional class environment. The instructor will monitor student progress at all times and students will be able to share efforts and projects by e-mail. Students will also participate in 30 hours of traditional class where they can share experience and knowledge with other students. This new initiative will suit the needs of many fire officers throughout the state. The class will be given the same credit as the traditional one, but will involve less time away from work and home.

Upon completion, students will have a better understanding of the following topics: managing personnel, fire ground operations, NIMS, code enforcement, public speaking and CISD. This program will also prepare the student for Fire Officer III. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks prior to class.

**Prerequisites:** Fire Officer I Blended E-Learning, Fire Officer I, or Fire Officer Supervisory Training and Instructor Methodology I or Fire Instructor I.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 60 (Combination of on-site classroom & internet class from home)

**OEMS Credits:** 28

**Course Number:**  
**200-021-318 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 18, 25, Dec 2, 12 & 16, 2008  
0845-1600

**Location**  
Franklin Fire Dept.  
40 West Central Street  
Franklin, MA

## **NIMS – ICS 200 FOR THE FIRE SERVICE**

This course will help students recognize the importance of an effective management system and understand the various components that provide the basis for the system. Students will be allowed to compare the benefits of the ICS to their own department or jurisdiction to demonstrate to themselves that the effective implementation of the ICS and its subsequent use will have a positive effect on their incident management.

**Prerequisites:** IS 700, ICS 100

**Class Hours:** 16

**OEMS Credits:** 15

**Course Number:**  
**210-176-702 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 3, 10, 17 & 24, 2008  
1800-2200

**Location**  
Hopedale Fire Dept.  
40 Dutcher Street  
Hopedale, MA

**Course Number:**  
**210-176-702 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 11 & 19, 2008  
1800-2200  
Nov. 22, 2008  
0800-1600

**Location**  
Douglas Fire Dept.  
64 Main Street  
Douglas, MA

## **NIMS – ICS 300 MID-LEVEL MANAGEMENT COURSE**

The purpose of this three-day, 24-hour program is to provide information in training and resources available for personnel who require advanced application of the Incident Command System.

**Who should attend:** The target audience for this course is individuals who may assume a supervisory role in complex or expanding incidents. With these incidents, command and general staff positions may be activated, as well as division/group supervisor and/or unit leader level positions. These incidents may extend into multiple operational periods.

**Prerequisites:** IS 700,  
ICS 100, ICS 200

**Class Hours:** 24

**OEMS Credits:** 16

**Course Number:**  
**210-176-703 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 15, 16 & 17, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location**  
Randolph Fire Dept.  
10 Memorial Parkway  
Randolph, MA

**Course Number:**  
**210-176-703 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 22, 23 & 24, 2008  
0800-1600

**Location:**  
Dartmouth District 1  
10 Bridge Street  
Dartmouth, MA

**Course Number:**  
**210-176-703 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 10 & 17, 2008  
1800-2200  
Oct. 18 & 19, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location**  
Ashburnham Fire Dept.  
12 Memorial Drive  
Ashburnham, MA

**Course Number:**  
**210-176-703 Session D**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 15, 22 & 29, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location**  
Hopedale Fire Dept.  
40 Dutcher Street  
Hopedale, MA



# Flammable Gas Training Programs

Coordinator, Richard Swartz 978-567-3211

## BASIC LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG)

This 8-hour course is designed to allow the student to get an introduction to liquefied natural gas (LNG), how to control it, and how to extinguish it if it ignites. The class is both classroom and hands-on in the same day. The ability to handle propane emergencies is discussed starting with the properties of the product and how they influence the gas' behavior. Transportation, storage and use of propane as well as meters and their use in gas emergencies are reviewed. Hands-on exercises will consist of controlling or extinguishing leaks and fires involving LNG. This class is a prerequisite for taking the Advanced LNG course.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A, B, D & E.

**Class Hours:** 8

**OEMS Credit:** 8

**Course Number:**  
**200-229-414 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 27, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA

## BASIC PROPANE

This 8-hour course is designed to allow the student to get an introduction into what propane is, how to control it, and how to extinguish it if it ignites. The course is both classroom and hands-on in the same day. The ability to handle propane emergencies is discussed starting with the properties of the product and how they influence the gas' behavior. Transportation, storage and use of propane as well as meters and their use in gas emergencies are reviewed. Hands-on exercises will consist of controlling leaks or extinguishing propane fires. This class is a prerequisite for taking the advanced propane course.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A, B, D & E.

**Class Hours:** 8

**OEMS Credit:** 8

**Course Number:**  
**200-229-416 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 7, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA

## COMMAND AND CONTROL OF GAS EMERGENCIES

Command and Control of Gas Emergencies is an 8-hour program designed for the fire officer or firefighter who might be in charge of an emergency call that involves liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), liquefied natural gas (LNG), or natural gas. This classroom program identifies the properties of these gases as well as the components of the gas distribution system. Using classroom lecture and interactive scenarios the students learn simple procedures for safely handling gas emergencies.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 8

**OEMS Credits:** 8

**Course Number:**  
**200-224-411 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 25, 2008  
0800-1630

**Location:**  
Marlborough Fire Headquarters  
215 Maple Street  
Marlborough, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-224-411 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Jan. 6 & 8, 2009  
1800-2200

**Location:**  
Upton Fire Headquarters  
20 Church Street  
Upton, MA

## FLAMMABLE GAS FIREFIGHTER TRAINING: CLASSROOM

This course is designed to provide students with knowledge of the general properties of flammable gases to include a working knowledge of the effects of temperature and pressure on firefighting efforts. Classroom theory is day one (Course # 401) and day two (Course # 402) is the practical application of firefighting evolutions based on actual gas equipment and situations. Students applying must successfully complete the classroom portion of the course prior to acceptance into the practical session. Safety considerations require that a

minimum of 18 students be enrolled in this 6-hour course.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credit:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-229-401 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 23 & 25, 2008  
1800-2100

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA

## FLAMMABLE GAS FIREFIGHTER TRAINING: PRACTICAL

Day two (practical session) of the two-day flammable gas program must be attended during the same semester as day one. As part of the two-day program, the practical portion is designed to provide students with hands on experience and a working knowledge of the effects of temperature and pressure as they relate to firefighting evolutions using actual gas equipment.

**Prerequisites:** Must complete classroom portion (Course # 401). Students attending the practical session must bring their SCBA and one spare air cylinder. **This course requires the use of a full-face shield with turnout gear and SCBA. Goggles are not acceptable.**

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A, B, D & E.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credit:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-229-402 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 1 & 8, 2008  
1800-2100

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA



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# National Fire Academy Programs

## MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF FIRE SERVICES STATE WEEKEND

### Massachusetts Fire Officer State Weekend

This program offers a weekend at the National Fire Academy of intense training in three of the following courses. Please select from the list below your top three choices. If you have selected one and that program is full, then your

application will not be accepted. Every effort will be made to accommodate your first requests, however, course placement cannot be guaranteed. All courses are on a first come first serve basis.

Number	Code	Course Name
729	ISO	Incident Safety Officer
604	MCE	Managing in a Changing Environment
602	STF	Shaping the Future
455	STICO	Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations
804	LSII	Strategies for Personal Success

In addition the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services will offer two new programs:

Number	Code	Course Name
MA 1	FDMS	Developing a Fire Department Memorial Service/Preparing for a Line of Duty Death – C. Norris
MA 2	SMCO	Stress Management for Chief Officers – H. Duggan

**Fee:** \$125.00

Method of payment: personal or bank check, money order, or Fire Department purchase order. Payment must be received by September 19, 2008.

Payable to: Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Trust Fund.

**Prerequisites:** This is a Priority Selection course. All applicants will receive a letter that will state whether or not they have been selected for the programs requested. An Application packet will follow in near future. Please note: Application (FEMA Form 75-5A, assessable @ Web Site: [usfa.dhs.gov](http://usfa.dhs.gov)) registration form and fee must be received by 1700 on September 19, 2008, at the:

Registrar  
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy  
P.O. Box 1025, State Road  
Stow, MA 01775-1025

**Course Number:**  
**200-037-900 A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 10, 11, & 12, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
National Fire Academy  
South Seton Avenue  
Emmitsburg, MD





# Hazardous Materials & Counter-Terrorism Programs

Coordinator, Martin Greene 978-567-3209

Assistant Coordinator, Gordon Diotalevi 978-567-3209

Assistant Coordinator, Robert Zalewski 978-567-3254

## HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DECONTAMINATION

This 6-hour course is designed to provide emergency response personnel with an understanding of basic decontamination principles. This course will include: reasons and need for decontamination; equipment and personnel necessary to perform decontamination; procedures for set up and placement of a decontamination corridor; techniques used to perform decontamination operations; discussion of the interface between fire departments and the Massachusetts Hazardous Materials Regional Response teams in the area of coordinating decontamination operations. Students are expected to participate in extensive hands-on decontamination practical skills exercises. Students must provide their own turnout equipment.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credits:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-070-228 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 15, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Springfield Training Academy  
100 Grochmal Ave  
Springfield, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-070-228 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 23, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Milford Fire Department Headquarters  
21 Birch Street  
Milford, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-070-228 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 15, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Wakefield Public Safety Building  
1 Union Street  
Wakefield, MA

## COUNTER-TERRORISM OPERATIONAL PROGRAM

This course is designed for first responders as defined in Homeland Security Presidential Decision Directive 8 (HSPD-8). The program is derived from Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP) material, unclassified and open-source information, and the International Association of Firefighters hazardous materials training.

The program explores threat development, incident recognition, protective actions, and specific response considerations. The focus is directed at two main themes: 1) survival of all responders, and 2) rendering the optimal care and service to the victims, while operating within the level of training of the individual. At the completion of the course, the students leave with a thorough understanding of the complexities of a weapon of mass destruction (WMD) incident and how to favorably affect the outcome of such an event.

**Prerequisites:** First Responders & Receivers

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 6

**OEMS Credits:** 6

**Course Number:**  
**200-070-239 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 5, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Milford Fire Headquarters  
21 Birch Street  
Milford, MA



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# Impact Programs

Coordinator, Bill Miller 978-567-3257

Assistant Coordinator, Don Jasmin 978-567-3257

## Arson Awareness

This short program is designed to give all firefighters a quick overview of fire behavior, scene preservation, observation and signs of arson, and some legal aspects of reporting the information.

**Course Number -444**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Fall 2004**

## Automatic Sprinkler Systems

This 3-hour slide and lecture presentation is designed to familiarize firefighters with the component parts of an automatic sprinkler system. It describes different types of sprinkler systems and identifies factors resulting in excessive fire damage to sprinklered buildings.

**Course Number -426**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Fall 2005**

## Common Emergencies

This program has been designed to give firefighters an overview of calls that they deal with on an everyday basis; such as electrical emergencies, heating problems, natural gas problems, water leaks, vehicle fires, kitchen, bedroom, and trash fires. Also included are carbon monoxide detectors and fire alarm system activations and issues.

**Course Number -429**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Fall 2006**

## Confined Space Rescue Awareness

This program is intended to help firefighters realize the acute dangers involved in these types of specialized rescue incidents. The presentation stresses safety and self-preservation.

**Course Number -447**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2006**

## Defensive Driving to Die For (POV)

This 3-hour program is designed to give firefighters an overview of all safety aspects when responding to calls in their personal vehicles.

**Course Number -443**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2005**

## Fire Emergency Operation (FEO) 3502:

This program is designed to familiarize fire personnel with the safe operation of elevators equipped with the fire service key – the “3502” key.

**Course Number -428**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Fall 2006**

## Fire Attack

This program is designed to familiarize fire personnel with the principals of modern structural fire combat, including line selection, attack modes, and hydraulic ventilation.

**Course Number -433**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2005**

## Foam

This program is designed to increase firefighter awareness and ability in the use of Class A and B “Firefighting Foam”. Emphasis is placed on the host department’s needs with specific discussion of foam concentrate types and how they work, correct methods of mixing, necessary equipment, how to fight fires with foam, hazardous materials as they relate to the use of foam and equipment maintenance.

**Course Number -430**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Fall 2007**

## Lightweight Construction

This program is designed to give the firefighter an inside look at today’s lightweight construction trends. It shows the type of buildings being built in today’s society and the dangers they present to the fire service. The course also will discuss some tactics and strategy for attack.

**Course Number -448**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program New Fall 2006**

## Meters

This program is designed to increase firefighter awareness of basic meter operation in use today. The program gives the firefighter the knowledge of what the meter is set up to read, what the results of atmosphere tests show, and what actions to take to secure the scene.

**Course Number -449**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**New Fall 2006**

## Natural Gas/Propane Awareness

This program is designed to give fire personnel some guidelines to use when responding to reported gas emergencies. The concentration in this program centers upon the use of Combustible Gas Indicators (CGI), and wearing of SCBA and protective clothing. The program has been developed in cooperation with the local gas company.

**Course Number -431**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Fall 2006**

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## Impact Programs

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### Roadway Safety for Emergency Service Personnel

Emergency service organizations respond to a wide variety of incidents involving operations on or near roadways. These operations pose special risks to personnel performing fire, rescue, and EMT functions. This presentation provides an understanding of the elements of a safe work zone; recognition of the potential and existing hazards while operating on or near a highway; an understanding of the need for personal protective equipment; and for multi-agency incident command.

**Course Number -446**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2006**

### Safety for the Firefighter

This program is designed to impress upon firefighters the importance of safety in quarters and at drills, while operating apparatus, and when using tools as well as during actual firefighting operations. As in all academy programs, wearing proper protective clothing and the use of SCBA is stressed.

**Course Number -434**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2005**

### Structural Hazards

This program is designed to give fire service personnel some insight into structural hazards they may encounter. The presentation will make firefighters more aware of common building defects in old as well as new construction.

**Course Number -435**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2005**

### Trench Rescue Awareness

This program is intended to help the firefighter realize the acute dangers involved in these types of specialized rescue incidents. The presentation stresses safety and self-preservation.

**Course Number -427**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Program Revised Spring 2006**

### Vehicle Fires

This program is designed to familiarize firefighters with potential hazards encountered in vehicle fires. The vehicle fires program has been expanded to include more information on the life safety hazards associated with fighting fires in automobiles, buses, wheelchair vans and commercial vehicles. Wearing proper gear and proper tactics are stressed.

**Course Number -436**

**OEMS credits: 3**

**Revised Fall 2007**



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# Fire Service Instructor Training

Coordinator Joseph Guarnara 978-567-3258

## FIRE INSTRUCTOR I

The course "Fire Instructor I" will be conducted for all fire service personnel interested in learning how to deliver instructional modules from prepared materials. The subjects covered range from the psychology of learning to the correct use of audio/visual instructional aids. The program consists of 36 hours of classroom time. With considerable out-of-class reading as preparation. Individual presentations and written examinations will be graded. This course tracks the *NFPA Standard 1041 Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications*. Successful completion of this course satisfies one requirement for becoming a Massachusetts Firefighting Academy instructor. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks prior to the course.

**Prerequisites:** None.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 36

**OEMS Credits:** 28

**Course Number:**  
**200-115-354 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 12, 2008/1800-2200  
Sept. 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
Topsfield Fire Dept.  
27 High Street  
Topsfield, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-115-354 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 20, 21, 22, 27 & 28, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
Cedarville Community Center  
2209 State Road, (RT 3 A)  
Plymouth, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-115-354 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 17, 18, 19, 24 & 25, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
Worcester Fire Training Complex  
Grove Street  
Worcester, MA

## FIRE INSTRUCTOR II

Fire Instructor II will be conducted for all fire service personnel interested in learning how to develop a lesson plan from a given topic. The subjects covered will include elements of a lesson plan, components of learning objectives and characteristics of students. The student is given the opportunity to modify an existing lesson plan so that the job requirement for the topic is achieved. The program consists of five training days and out of class reading and preparation. This course tracks the *NFPA Standard 1041 Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications*. The student must show proof of successful completion of Instructor Methodology I or Fire Instructor I; the student does NOT have to be Instructor I certified. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing two weeks prior to the course.

**Prerequisites:** Fire Instructor I, or Instructor Methodology I.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 36

**OEMS Credits:** None

**Course Number:**  
**200-115-363 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 15, 16, 22, 23 & 30, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA



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**Course Number:**  
**200-115-363 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Feb. 16, 17, 18, 23 & 24 2009  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
Onset Fire Dept.  
5 East Central Ave.  
Onset, MA



# Fire Investigation Programs

Coordinator, Jason Gilliland 978-567-3252

Assistant Coordinator, Patrick O'Sullivan 978-567-3252

## BASIC FIRE INVESTIGATION

This comprehensive seminar provides up to date knowledge and investigative procedure for personnel responsible for the investigation of fires and explosions in Massachusetts cities and towns. Students will be oriented to effectively work within the established system in a "Team Concept" using a specific investigative protocol tailored to fire and explosion investigation. This is a Priority Selection course.

**Prerequisites:** Application must be accompanied by a letter from the chief. It is strongly recommended that both a firefighter and a police officer from the community apply as a unit. (Past participation by a firefighter and/or police officer in your community will satisfy this requirement.)

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Fire Investigation Application.

**Class Hours:** 48

**OEMS Credits:** None

**Course Number:**  
**200-038-500 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 3, 4, 5, 10, 11 & 12, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA



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## ADVANCED FIRE INVESTIGATION

The goal of the *Advanced Fire Investigation* course is to advance the team concept of fire investigation by training together. Students will have the opportunity to work together investigating a fire, gathering evidence, documenting evidence and presenting evidence in a courtroom setting. Some of the topics covered are: legal presence on the fire scene, sources of information for motive development both on and off the fire scene, fire scene examination, generation of reports and court testimony. This is a priority selection course. All applicants will be responded to in writing.

**Prerequisites:** Basic Fire Investigation. It is strongly recommended that both a firefighter and a police officer from the community apply as a unit. (Past participation by a firefighter and/or police officer in your community will satisfy this requirement.)

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Fire Investigation Application.

**Class Hours:** 48

**OEMS Credits:** 8

**Course Number:**  
**200-038-501 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2008  
Oct. 30 & 31, 2008  
0800-1700

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA



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# Technical Rescue Programs

Coordinator, Mark McCabe 978-567-3214

## CONFINED SPACE RESCUE

This program is designed to familiarize firefighters with the many hazards encountered in confined space rescue operations, and better prepare them to make the proper hazard and risk assessments. This program will familiarize the rescuer with the equipment and extraction techniques necessary for both vertical and horizontal rescue procedures. Students will learn both operational and technician level skills addressed in NFPA 1670 and 1006. Students are encouraged to bring an NFPA rescue type helmet, work boots and leather gloves.

**Prerequisites:** Previous rope rescue training is strongly recommended.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B. All applicants should also submit documentation of prior rope rescue training.

**Class Hours:** 18

**OEMS Credits:** 18

**Course Number:**  
**200-196-301 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 23, 24 & 25, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Fall River Fire Dept.  
140 Commerce Way  
Fall River, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-196-301 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 14, 15 & 16, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Pittsfield Fire Dept.  
54 Tecks Road  
Pittsfield, MA

## INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEMS FOR STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE INCIDENTS

This 2-day program, designed by the National Fire Academy, describes the aspects of a structural collapse; explains the basic command procedures and ICS organizational structure; identifies various resource levels, types and capabilities used for structural collapse incidents; identifies critical factors and issues that affect scene management; describes all response operations phases associated with a structural collapse incident and describes the technical rescue expertise and equipment required for safe operations and effective incident management. Any member of the fire service who may respond to a structural collapse is encouraged to attend.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-192-535 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Dec. 16 & 17, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Cambridge Fire Dept.  
100 Smith Place  
Cambridge, MA



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## ROPE RESCUE: OPERATIONAL LEVEL

This course is designed to give the student considerable "on rope" time, providing the confidence and skills needed to handle basic rope rescues. The program will also prepare the student for the *Advanced Rope Rescue* course offered by the MFA. The content is based on consensus dogma that has been obtained from some of the nations leading rescue agencies. This program consists of three 6-hour days, which includes lecture, demonstration, and practical participant exercises. Students will be trained to awareness and operational levels addressed in NFPA 1670. Topic areas include rope, knots, harnesses, hardware, basic anchoring methods, belay systems, slope evacuation and descending techniques. This course will provide a solid rope foundation that will be needed in other technical rescue disciplines such as confined space, water, and ice rescue. Students are encouraged to bring an NFPA Class II rescue harness as well as a rescue type helmet, work boots and leather gloves.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 18

**OEMS Credits:** 18

**Course Number:**  
**200-197-303 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 12, 2008  
1600-2300  
Sept. 13 & 14, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
North Adams Fire Dept.  
40 American Legion Drive  
North Adams, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-197-303 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 3, 2008  
1600-2300  
Oct. 4 & 5, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Turners Falls Dept.  
180 Turnpike Road  
Turners Falls, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-197-303 Session C**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov 4, 5 & 6, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Newburyport Fire Dept.  
0 Greenleaf Street  
Newburyport, MA

## ROPE RESCUE: TECHNICIAN LEVEL

A prerequisite to this class is successful completion of Basic Rope Rescue or Rope Rescue: Operational Level. This course is designed to build on the basic rope rescue course, providing the student with the training and practical experience to handle more advanced rope rescues. This program consists of four 6-hour days, which include lecture, demonstration, and practical participant exercises. Students will learn both operational and technical level skills addressed in NFPA 1670. Topic areas include advanced anchoring, mechanical advantage, lowering and hauling, picking off of victims, line transfers, slope evacuations, patient packaging and litter management. Students are encouraged to bring an NFPA Class II rescue harness as well as a rescue type helmet, work boots and

leather gloves.

**Prerequisites:** Basic Rope Rescue or Rope Rescue: Operational Level

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 18

**OEMS Credits:** 18

**Course Number:**  
**200-197-307 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 30, 2008  
1600-2300  
Oct. 31 & Nov. 1 & 2, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Swansea Fire Dept.  
50 New Gardner Neck Road, Station 2  
Swansea, MA

## SURFACE WATER RESCUE: OPERATIONAL

Students will leave this class able to demonstrate the proper techniques of self rescue when suddenly immersed in moving or cold water. Students will also learn how to use turnout gear and SCBA in water and the proper techniques for planning and executing shore-based rescues. The course will provide firefighters with a greater sense of competency in dealing with water emergencies and prepare a firefighter for more specialized courses.

**Prerequisites:** All participants should be in good condition and able to swim.

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 12

**OEMS Credits:** 12

**Course Number:**  
**200-199-304 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 30 & Oct. 1, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Chicopee Fire Dept.  
654 Burnett Road  
Chicopee, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-199-304 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 8 & 9, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Clinton Fire Dept.  
555 Main Street  
Clinton, MA



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## TRENCH RESCUE: TECHNICIAN LEVEL

This program is designed to familiarize firefighters with the many hazards encountered in trench rescue operations, and better prepare them to make the proper hazard and risk assessments. The combination of classroom and practical evolutions will introduce the rescuer to the equipment and extraction techniques necessary for the safe removal of the victim while keeping the safety of the rescuer paramount. The practical portion will be more realistic by using actual sheeting and shoring operations of "unsafe" trenches in the ground. Students will get the knowledge, skills, and abilities as outlined in *NFPA 1006: Standard for Rescue Technician Professional Qualifications*.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B.

**Class Hours:** 24

**OEMS Credits:** 18

**Course Number:**  
**200-198-308 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Oct. 21, 22, 23, & 24, 2008  
0900-1600

**Location:**  
Wayland Fire Dept.  
38 Cochituate Road  
Wayland, MA

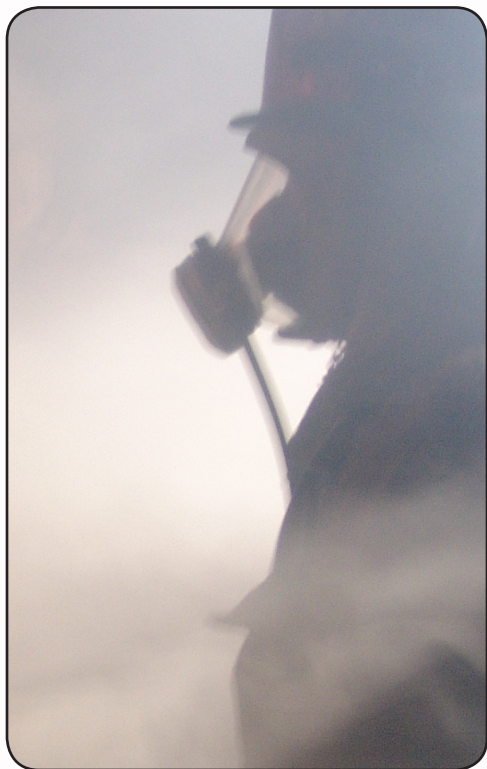


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## Seminars

Coordinator, Everett Pierce 978-567-3252

### CHIEF FIRE OFFICER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Chief Fire Officer Management program is presented in partnership with the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute for Governmental Services and has been designed to address all of the objectives in NFPA 1021 for Fire Officer III and IV. The major topic areas include:

- Leadership and the Chief Officer
- Basic Administrative Skills
- Human Resource Management
- Fire Prevention and Life Safety Programs
- Administrative Structures
- Supervision and Management
- Community and Government Relations
- Emergency Services Delivery
- Basic Communication Skills
- Logic, Ethics and Decision Making
- Administrative Programs
- Comprehensive Safety and Health Programs

Presenters from both the public and private sectors with an expertise in the particular subject areas will deliver this program. The information covered and case histories will be pertinent to Massachusetts municipal operations. The *IFSTA Chief Officer second edition* is the text that will be used and provided to each student on the first day.

The participant will be required to do considerable out of class preparation in advance of each class to maximize their understanding of the course materials. Quizzes will be administered each week and students must maintain a 70% or greater for successful completion of the course.

**Prerequisites:** ICS 200 qualified, preferably ICS 300 qualified.

**This is a priority selection program.**

All applications received by the deadline will be reviewed and the following priority selection will be used:

- Priority 1 Chief Administrators/  
Chiefs of Department
- Priority 2 Chief Officers

- Priority 3 Acting Chief Officers
- Priority 4 Company Officers

**Course Completion Requirement:**

Students must have 100% participation in all 13 sessions, achieve a grade of at least 70% on quizzes, and must complete a five – ten page work-related paper to receive their certificate of completion.

**Application Process:** Complete a DFS Student Application and attach the following:

- An organizational chart showing all department positions and indicating the applicant's current position.
- A typed one page statement of why the applicant should be accepted into the program.
- A list of the national certifications the applicant currently holds.

**Course Number:**  
**200-032-331 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2008  
Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2008  
Nov. 6 & 20, 2008  
Dec. 4 & 11, 2008  
0900-1600  
(Note: Dec 18, is scheduled as a make-up day in the event of inclement weather)

**Location:**  
UMass Donahue Institute  
333 South Street  
Shrewsbury, MA

**Application Deadline:**

All application packets must be received at the academy by 1700 hours on Friday, August 1, 2008.

**Dress Code:**

Casual business attire (shirts with collars; slacks and dress jeans)







\*\*\*\* *SAVE THE DATE* \*\*\*\*

## **MA Department of Fire Services** **Fall Conference 2008**



### ***“Meeting the Challenges of Tomorrow’s Fire Service”***

DFS is pleased to announce its first fall conference designed for all ranks of the fire service. This conference will be covering many of the hot topics facing the fire service today. Details of subject matter and speakers are being finalized. Check future mailings and our website [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) for more information and registration.

A sampling of the subjects:

- Not Everyone Goes Home
- PPV in Large/High Rise Buildings
- The Future of the Fire Service Delivery
- Firefighter Health and Fitness
- Manhattan Crane Collapse
- Maritime Emergencies
- Clandestine Drug Labs
- ATF – Serial Arson Case
- Strategy and Tactics
- Air Bag Safety
- Explosives

Practical sessions include:

- Flashover Simulator
- Hybrid Vehicle Emergencies
- Simulator Lab
- Explosives

Some of the speakers include:

- Chief Billy Goldfeder, LSFD
- Lieutenant Ray McCormack, FDNY
- Battalion Chief Don Hayde, FDNY
- George Hoyt, Toyota
- Battalion Chief Mark Emery, WA
- Battalion Chief Ron Moore, TX
- Dan Madrzykowski, NIST
- Dr. Denis Onieal, National Fire Academy

**November 12, 13 & 14, 2008**

**Westford Regency Conference Center**  
**Westford, MA**

**Block off your calendars for this three-day learning experience!**



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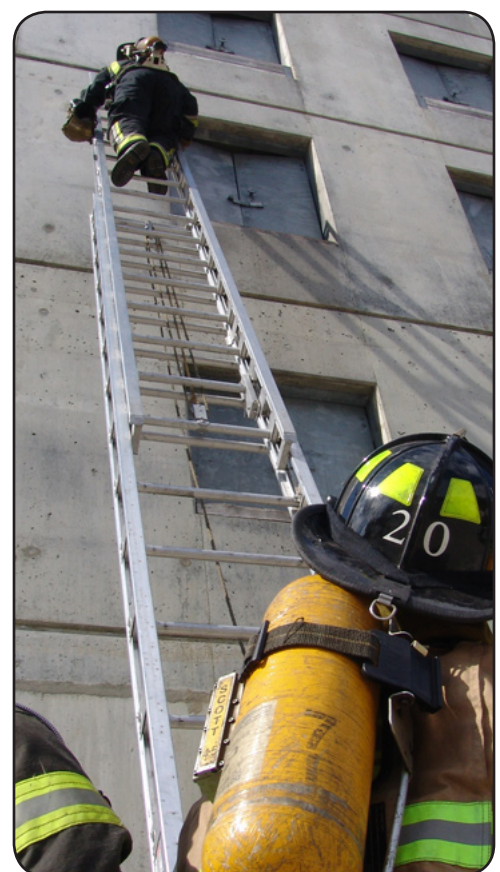


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# Department of Public Health Training Programs

## HOSPITAL PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT & DECONTAMINATION REFRESHER COURSE #468 AND EMS PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT & DECONTAMINATION REFRESHER COURSE #467

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Fire Services have developed a *Hospital Personal Protective Equipment and Decontamination Refresher* class and an *EMS Personal Protective Equipment and Decontamination Refresher* class under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration.

These programs are presented in Massachusetts's hospitals, fire stations, and private ambulance company sites for all healthcare and emergency medical service (EMS) professionals potentially involved in hazardous materials incidents or public health emergencies requiring the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) and decontamination. These programs will enable health care and EMS professionals to safely utilize personal protective equipment, acquire

decontamination skills, and contribute to decontamination efforts in a coordinated and unified approach with other health care, EMS, and public safety first responders in their region.

At the completion of the program participants will be able to:

- identify hazardous materials within the hospital setting and community;
- identify the basic chemical/physical properties of hazardous materials;
- identify types of agents and/or associated signs/symptoms of exposure;
- identify monitoring/identification equipment and detection methods;
- identify appropriate PPE and demonstrate ability to don and doff PPE safely and correctly;
- decontaminate patients and other medical professionals;

- identify the key components of Incident Command System (ICS) for Health Care Providers instituted during an incident requiring PPE and decontamination; and
- safely transport decontaminated and/or contaminated patients.

### Program Instructors

Health care and fire service professionals teach the program jointly.

### Target Audience

The program is designed for all hospital and EMS first responders potentially involved in incidents utilizing personal protective equipment (PPE) and decontamination procedures.

### Program Specifics

The course is offered free of charge to all hospital and EMS professionals. The course is 12 hours in length, conducted over two days and includes a lecture component, a hands-on practicum, and a group exercise. All participants must pre-register via the Department of Fire Services, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Scheduled courses can be viewed at the Department of Fire Services web site at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) under training and scheduled courses.

Ten hours of nursing contact hours and twelve hours of OEMS credits are offered for this program and an MFA certificate of completion is issued at course completion.

### Location and Logistics

We will bring the program to your facility. We request that you arrange for participants to obtain beverages and lunch.

Please assign a hospital contact person to work with the course coordinator.

### Program Dates

The program is generally booked 30 to 90 days in advance.





## HOSPITAL INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM 200 PROGRAM COURSE #469

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Fire Services have developed a *Hospital Incident Command System 200* program under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. This course is designed to enable personnel to operate efficiently during an incident or event within the Incident Command System (ICS) and focuses on the management of single resources. The incorporation of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) Hospital Incident Command IV (HICS-IV) into the Federal Emergency Management's ICS-200 curricula provides training on and resources for personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within the ICS. This course is NIMS compliant.

The training is comprised of the following content:

- Unit 1: Course Overview
- Unit 2: ICS and the Emergency Management Program
- Unit 3: Leadership, Management, ICS Review

- Unit 4: Functional Areas and Positions
- Unit 5: Typing, HICS Scenarios & Guides
- Unit 6: Incident Management, Transfer of Command and Briefings
- Unit 7: Course Summary

### Program Instructors

Health care and fire service professionals teach the program jointly.

### Target Audience

The primary target audience is hospital administrators, managers and department heads, physicians, nurses, other key personnel, and students preparing for a healthcare career, as well as other hospital personnel at the supervisory level.

### Program Specifics & Prerequisite

The course is offered free of charge to all facilities and participants. It is a 12-hour, two-day course, and includes both a lecture component and group exercise component. The prerequisite for all participants is *Incident Command System for Health Care Providers* (HCP) or equivalent, students must pre-register

with the Department of Fire Services. Scheduled courses can be viewed at the Department of Fire Services web site at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) under training and scheduled courses.

Ten nursing contact hours and twelve hours of OEMS credits are offered for this program and an MFA certificate of attendance will be issued at course completion.

### Location and Logistics

We will bring the program to your facility. The training room should be conducive to breakout groups. We request that you arrange for participants to obtain beverages and lunch.

Please assign a contact person to work with the course coordinator.

### Program Dates

The program is generally booked a minimum of 30 days to 90 days in advance.

## INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM COURSE #471

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Fire Services have developed an *Incident Command System for Public Health* program under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. The program provides local boards of health and their community partners in Massachusetts with an emergency management tool that promotes a unified statewide response in the event of a public health emergency, hazardous materials incident or terrorist event. The program offers many advantages including a logical management structure, defined responsibilities, clear reporting channels, flexibility, common language and is NIMS compliant. The overall goal is to promote a standardized competency-based tool for local boards of health and their community emergency partners to respond to any "all-hazards" incident.

The program objectives are to:

- identify ICS and its

effectiveness in public health;

- utilize ICS and Unified Command in public health all-hazards incidents;
- utilize an ICS instrument including key characteristics, roles and responsibilities;
- promote agency & interagency cooperation, coordination and communication at all-hazards incident;
- integrate into ICS-HCP (Health Care Providers) during a mock incident; and
- identify ICS-HCP elements to coordinate an "all-hazards" incident response.

### Program Instructors:

Health care and fire service professionals teach the program jointly.

### Program Specifics:

The course is offered free of charge to all facilities and participants. It is a six-hour, one-day course, and includes both a lecture component and group exercise component. All participants must pre-register with the Department

of Fire Services. First responders from other hospitals may attend any hospital training, on a space available basis. Scheduled courses can be viewed at the Department of Fire Services web site at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) under training and scheduled courses.

Five nursing contact hours and six hours of OEMS credits are offered for this program and an MFA certificate of completion will be issued at course completion.

### Location and Logistics:

We will bring the program to your facility. We request that you arrange for participants to obtain beverages and lunch. Please assign a contact person to work with the course coordinator.

### Program Dates:

The program is generally booked a minimum of 30 days in advance.

## EMS INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEMS & HAZARDOUS AWARENESS PROGRAM #472

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Fire Services have developed a one-day program on *Incident Command System and Hazardous Materials Awareness (EMS ICS-HMA)* for Emergency Medical Service professionals under a Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. The program will be conducted in fire stations and private ambulance company sites for emergency medical service professionals. The program will provide hazardous materials awareness and Incident Command System (ICS) training to enable emergency medical service providers to respond to a hazardous materials incident or public health emergency safely and in a coordinated and unified approach with other emergency responders in the community.

At the completion of the program participants will be able to:

- identify hazardous materials in the pre-hospital environment;
- identify types of agents and/or associated signs/symptoms of exposure;
- identify the basic chemical/physical properties of hazardous materials;
- identify monitoring/identification equipment and detection methods; and
- identify key components of the Incident Command System.

### Program Instructors:

Emergency medical service, fire service, and health care professionals will teach the programs.

### Target Audience:

The program is designed to prepare all emergency medical service professionals, including fire service, private service and third service providers, for hazardous materials, decontamination, or public health emergency incidents.

### Program Specifics:

Day one, ICS-HMA, is six hours in length and precedes the two-day EMS PPE/Decon program. The course is offered free of charge to all emergency medical service professionals. All

participants must pre-register via the Department of Fire Services, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy and will be priority selected.

Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) education credits will be offered for both programs and certificate of attendance will be issued at the completion of each course.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND DECONTAMINATION PROGRAM #498 & #473

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Fire Services have developed a *Hospital Personal Protective Equipment and Decontamination* class and an *EMS Personal Protective Equipment and Decontamination* class under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration.

These programs are presented in Massachusetts's hospitals, fire stations, and private ambulance company sites for all healthcare and emergency medical service (EMS) professionals potentially involved in hazardous materials incidents or public health emergencies requiring the use of personal protective equipment and decontamination. These programs will enable health care/EMS professionals to safely utilize personal protective equipment (PPE), acquire decontamination skills in their setting, and contribute to decontamination efforts in a coordinated and unified approach with other health care, EMS, and public safety first responders in their region.

At the completion of the program participants will be able to:

- identify hazardous materials within the hospital setting and community;
- identify the basic chemical/physical properties of hazardous materials;
- identify types of agents and/or associated signs/symptoms of exposure;
- identify monitoring/identification equipment and detection methods;
- identify appropriate PPE and demonstrate ability to don and doff PPE safely and correctly;
- decontaminate patients and other medical professionals;

### Location and Logistics:

We will bring the program to your facility. We request that you arrange for participants to obtain beverages and lunch. Please assign a contact person to work with the course coordinator.

### Program Dates:

The program is generally booked a minimum of 30 to 90 days in advance.

- identify the key components of ICS for Health Care Providers instituted during an incident requiring PPE and decontamination; and
- safely transport decontaminated and/or contaminated patients.

### Program Instructors:

Health care and fire service professionals teach the program jointly.

### Target Audience:

The program is designed for all hospital/EMS first responders potentially involved in incidents utilizing PPE and decontamination.

### Program Specifics:

The course is offered free of charge to all hospitals and EMS professionals. The course is 12 hours in length, conducted over two days and includes a lecture component, a hands-on practicum, and a group exercise. All participants must pre-register via the Department of Fire Services, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Scheduled courses can be viewed at the Department of Fire Services web site at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) under training and scheduled courses.

Ten hours of nursing contact hours and 12 hours of OEMS credits are offered for this program and an MFA certificate of attendance is issued at course completion.

### Location and Logistics:

We will bring the program to your facility. We request that you arrange for participants to obtain beverages and lunch.

Please assign a hospital contact person to work with the course coordinator.

### Program Dates:

The program is generally booked 30 to 90 days in advance.



## INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROGRAM #497

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Fire Services have developed an *Incident Command System for Health Care Providers* program under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. The program provides standardized incident management training for health care providers, primarily in the hospital setting and promotes a coordinated and unified community response to hazardous materials incidents, terrorist event, or public health emergency.

The program objectives are to:

- promote an increased understanding of the ICS for Health Care Providers;
- gain an understanding of an ICS instrument;
- identify the ICS elements necessary to coordinate response activities at any "all-hazards" incident;
- understand the special considerations affecting ICS in the health care environment;
- promote a coordinated and unified community response by health care providers in the event of an incident requiring the initiation of incident command; and
- understand incident command transition considerations.

### Program Instructors:

Health care and fire service professionals teach the program jointly.



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### Target Audience:

The target audience is health care providers, designated as first responders in the hospital setting, including nurses, nurse managers, advanced practice nurses, physicians, physician assistants, emergency department technicians, staff educators, safety directors, department heads, administrators and support staff.

### Program Specifics:

The course is offered free of charge to all facilities and participants. It is a six-hour, one-day course, and includes both a lecture component and group exercise component. All participants must pre-register with the Department of Fire Services. First responders from other hospitals may attend any hospital training, on a space available basis. Scheduled courses can be viewed at the Department of Fire Services web site at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) under training and scheduled courses.

Five nursing contact hours and six hours of OEMS credits are offered for this program and an MFA certificate of attendance will be issued at course completion.

### Location and Logistics:

We will bring the program to your facility. We request that you arrange for participants to obtain beverages and lunch. Please assign a contact person to work with the course coordinator.

### Program Dates:

The program is generally booked a minimum of 30 days to 90 days in advance.

## MFIRS

Coordinator Derryl Dion 978-567-3382

### MASSACHUSETTS FIRE INCIDENT REPORTING SYSTEM

The Massachusetts Fire Incident Reporting System (MFIRS) training is designed to teach firefighters the system of reporting and its requirements.

Fire chiefs are encouraged to send two or more members to one of these training sessions so that each department can gain a critical understanding of how MFIRS works and how the data is and may be used. Students will also learn of any new updates to the system.

Fire departments using this training as a train-the-trainer may obtain training materials by contacting the MFIRS Coordinator.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Application Process:** Complete DFS Student Application, Sections A & B

**Class Hours:** 4

**OEMS Credits:** 4

**Course Number:**  
**200-000-613 Session A**

**Date/Time:**  
Sept. 10, 2008  
0900-1300

**Location:**  
DFS  
State Road  
Stow, MA

**Course Number:**  
**200-000-613 Session B**

**Date/Time:**  
Nov. 4, 2008  
0900-1300

**Location:**  
Springfield Training Academy  
100 Grochmal Avenue  
Springfield, MA

# MFIRS

Massachusetts Fire Incident Reporting Systems

# Certification

Coordinator, Robert Rand 978-567-3223

Assistant Coordinator, Michael Morrissey 978-567-3223

Administrative Assistant, Julie Kilbride 978-567-3228

## MASSACHUSETTS FIRE SERVICE CERTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Massachusetts Fire Training Council (MFTC) is the sole statutory authority to certify the Massachusetts fire service. The governor appointed council meets regularly to discuss and develop policies which drive the certification system. The Massachusetts Firefighting Academy is the operational arm of the council and develops examinations to various professional qualification standards. It also administers these examinations and documents all activities of certification candidates.

The MFTC is accredited by the National Board of Fire Service Professional Qualifications, Inc. (The ProBoard). Under this accreditation, successful certification candidates are awarded Massachusetts and National certification simultaneously.

Certification levels offered by the MFTC include the following. Firefighter I, II, and I/II, Fire Officer I, II, III, and IV, Fire Inspector I and II, Driver Operator-Pumper and Aerial, Fire Instructor I, Hazardous Materials Operational, Hazardous Materials Technician, and Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I.

The Massachusetts Public Safety Fire Investigator Certification Coalition (MPSFICC) is comprised of one member from the following state agencies: the Massachusetts Fire Training Council, the Massachusetts State Police, and the Municipal Police Training Committee. This coalition, under the authority of the Secretary of Public Safety & Security, develops policies that direct fire investigator certification. Like the MFTC, the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy is the operational arm of the coalition.

The coalition only offers fire investigator certification.

Please see the certification examination schedule on the DFS website [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs) for specific examination information, application documentation, frequently asked questions, and schedules of examination offerings.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact the Certification Group of the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy.

Certification Group  
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy  
Department of Fire Services  
P. O. Box 1025  
Stow, MA 01775

978-567-3223

Certification Coordinator (email):  
[Robert.Rand@dfs.state.ma.us](mailto:Robert.Rand@dfs.state.ma.us)



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# Severe Weather Hotline

The academy has established a severe weather cancellation phone line. In the event of severe or inclement weather please call **978-567-3248** for cancellations.

If the academy must cancel a program for any other reason, every attempt will be made to notify all **PRE-REGISTERED** students.



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## Severe Weather Cancellation

### Severe Weather Cancellations Training at Headquarters

Classes scheduled to be conducted at the T. Dustin Alward Massachusetts Firefighting Academy in Stow are cancelled if classes at Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High are cancelled due to severe weather. During periods when Lincoln-Sudbury is not in session, (week-ends, school vacations, etc.) cancellation notification is the same as for off-site classes. If Lincoln-Sudbury has a delayed opening due to severe weather, classes at the fire academy headquarters will begin at the scheduled time (no delay).

### Off-Site Training

Classes scheduled to be conducted at other training sites will be cancelled based on local conditions.

Cancellation announcements will be carried on the following radio and television stations:

WBEC.....	AM 1420 .....	Pittsfield
WBEC.....	FM 105.5 .....	Pittsfield
WHYN.....	AM 560 .....	Springfield
WHYN.....	FM 93.1 .....	Springfield
WHDH .....	AM 850 .....	Boston
WRKO .....	AM 680 .....	Boston
WCVB.....	Channel 5 .....	Boston
WHDH-TV.....	Channel 7 .....	Boston

# Directions

### MA Department of Fire Services

**From Route 128:** Take Route 20 West. Follow Route 20 to the intersection of Route 27 in Wayland. Turn right onto 27 and bear left at first fork (27 North). Follow until Route 27 makes a right toward Maynard. Do not turn right. Continue straight for approximately three miles and DFS will be on your right.

**From Route 495 North:** Take Exit 25A toward Hudson. At the second traffic light, take a left onto Route 85. Take a right onto Broad Street (first street on right next to Tuck's GMC Trucks.) At the second set of traffic lights, take a right onto Route 62. About 4.5 miles from here, where Route 62 splits left at the Mobil Station, stay straight. DFS will be on your left.

**From Route 495 South:** Take Route 62 East (Exit 26) into Hudson Center. Continue half way around the rotary and stay on Route 62 East. About 5 miles from here, where Route 62 splits left at the Mobil Station, stay straight. DFS will be on the left.

### Springfield Fire Training Center

Take Exit 6 off of the Massachusetts Turnpike. Turn left onto Route 291 West. Follow to Exit 5, East Springfield. At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Page Boulevard. Follow Page Boulevard to the first traffic light and turn left onto Cadwell Drive. Follow to the end and turn left. Follow road to the traffic lights (approximately 50 yards.) Go straight across the intersection onto Grochmal Avenue. Follow to the training center, which will be on the left.

### Barnstable County Fire Training Facility

**Coming from off Cape:** Take Rt. 495 to Rt. 25, or Rt. 195 to Rt. 25, or Rt. 3 to Rt. 6 (Mid-Cape Highway)

**Coming from on Cape:** Take Rt. 6 (Mid-Cape Highway)

Once on Rt. 6, take Exit #6. At the bottom of the ramp, turn onto Rt. 132 toward Hyannis. Go to the fourth set of lights and turn left onto Independence Dr. (Sam Diego's on corner). Go to the end of the road and turn right onto Mary Dunn Rd. The first road on the right is South Flint Rock Rd.; that is the driveway.